

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Executive Council Meeting on 26 September 1975

Mr. Walsh chaired. Substituting were Messrs. [REDACTED]

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2. A new Agency regulation will make it very easy for employees to gain access to their files.

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4. [REDACTED] then briefed on progress toward meeting the requirements of DCID 1/7. He and [REDACTED] have met with all the DDI production officers and have agreed to formats to be used in printing the new controls in DDI publications. [REDACTED] plans to circulate a memo describing the new controls and procedures.

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5. Mr. Walsh reported that the White House has established an Intelligence Steering Group. In addition to Mr. Colby, there are representatives from OMB, State and Defense. The Group is to identify issues involved in the current investigations and is to recommend an Executive Branch strategy on how to break the present impasse with the House Committee.

6. Mr. Walsh reported that the excessive time spent on the congressional investigations has required Mr. Colby to call two "Morning Meetings" -- one at 0900, the other at 1730.

7. Mr. Walsh reported that the Justice Department has reversed its stand and is providing counsel for Agency people [redacted] Jack Blake's efforts to get counsel for Agency personnel may not be necessary.

8. Mr. Walsh listed key personnel changes in DDS&T. Jim Hirsch is the new Director of OEL with [redacted] as his Deputy; Don Haas is the new Director of ORD, with [redacted] as his Deputy; and [redacted] is the new Deputy to [redacted]

9. Mr. Walsh reported that CIA has spent an estimated 70,000 manhours responding to the congressional investigations. Including the Rockefeller Committee, about 200,000 manhours have been devoted to the investigations since the first of the year.

10. The Congressional Checklist (now called the Intelligence Checklist) is a big success and is now published five times a week. The President reads it. [redacted] reports that graphics for the Checklist are adding a burden to the Cartography Division. More than one man-year has been added to the workload, perhaps 30 percent of it for overtime.

11. Mr. Walsh reported that [redacted] is going to Angus Thuermer's office as a "backroom man."

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